

LaRC SAFETY HIGHLIGHTS

February 26, 2001

FY 2001 - Civil Servants



() = Number of new occurrences

OSHA Recordable Cases = Fatalities, Lost Time and Incidents
Incidents = Non first aid medical cases which have less than 8 hours lost time

Injury/Mishap Information

- The Center has been **14** days **without** a Civil Servant **Lost Time Injury** (Record 251 days).
- Close Call - A high intensity radio frequency source being used in Building 1148 was identified by an AirSC employee as being operated in a manner which could present undue risk to test equipment and personnel. Upon further inspection, no radiation hazard form or safety permit had been issued for the activity as required by LaPG 1710.8. The activity has been stopped until the proper permit and procedures are obtained so that the activity can resume in a safe manner. All personnel are reminded that activities involving radiation (both ionizing and non-ionizing), potentially hazardous materials, and pyrotechnics (explosives) require the appropriate review before purchase and safety permit before operation.
- The following first aid cases involving civil servants were reported:
 - A SEC employee sustained a back strain while attempting to sit in a chair, catching only the edge and causing the employee to slide off the chair onto the floor. The chair flipped over striking the employee in the head.
 - An AAAC employee tapping a hole in a model support system sustained a wrist strain from the repetitive motion.
 - An AAAC employee going from Building 1221 to the Jet Noise Laboratory control room, took a short cut under the exterior wind tunnel structure due to inclement weather. The employee in attempting to avoid a beam structure bent down, struck the head and sustained a scalp laceration.
- **Weekly Video Schedule** - February 26 - March 2, 2001 - Accident Causes and Prevention; Using Hand and Power Tools; Handling Gas Cylinders; A Welcome Interruption - GFCI; Back Safety; Motor Vehicle Awareness; Protecting Your Feet; Small Spills and Leaks; Office Ergonomics; and Confined Spaces. (Contact Chip Quinn, 48743)

